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In re Patent Application of

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Application No.: 09/840,243

Examiner: Unassigned

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For: NEW TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR)

: NEW TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR
OF MHC CLASS II GENES,
SUBSTANCES CAPABLE OF
INHIBITING THIS NEW

TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR AND MEDICAL USES OF THESE

SUBSTANCES

COMMUNICATION REGARDING INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND SUBMISSION OF PTO-1449 FORMS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

On October 4, 2001, Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement citing seventy-one references. A copy of each document was also enclosed. Upon review of the file, the undersigned attorney noted that the PTO-1449 forms were inadvertently omitted from the submission. Accordingly, enclosed herewith are the PTO-1449 forms (4 pages) listing each document cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 4, 2001.

It is noted for the record that, despite the inadvertent omission of the PTO-1449 forms with the October 4, 2001 filing, such submission should still be considered to be in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 as of October 4, 2001 since a list

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of all the documents with the appropriate identifying information (albeit not on PTO-1449 forms) along with a copy of each document were provided before the first Office Action on the merits.

In the event that there are any questions relating to this communication, or the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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